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President Falconer,
University of Toronto,

Dear Sir:-

I have received a letter from Prof. Buchanan, in which he requests me to make a formal application to you for the vacancy in the department of Spanish and Italian. As for the salary I expect I have no pretensions to a high one but inasmuch as I had an offer from the South for $1200, I had hopes

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of getting something in the neighborhood of that sum. However, considering the opportunity that I would have in Toronto, the matter of salary would only be a secondary one.

In the hope that I will hear from you on the subject I remain

Respectfully yours

Luigi Passarelli

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Columbia University
in the City of New York
DEPARTMENT OF ROMANCE LANGUAGES

New York, July 28, 1916.

Dear Buchanan:

Mr. Luigi Passarelli, an Italo-American, who has done one year of graduate work with us, has the requisites you mention in your letter. He has specialized in Spanish and Italian, and has certain gifts as a linguist in general. He has made a hit now for three years in the French, Spanish and Italian dramatics. He has had some experience teaching. Next year we have offered him a couple of courses in the extension teaching department. Such a temporary position as you appear to have is about what he needs now, before going on with his graduate work. You might be of great service to him in this connection. He is not quite so far advanced in scholarship as was Lipari when you took him. He is a much better linguist however, and I think has an equally good future ahead of him. His appearance incidentally is excellent.

In case you care to communicate with him you might send the letter to my address. I can't recall his at the moment, but I see him nearly every day.

I am sorry you could not manage to work New York into your scheme of life. A certain Ohnes from Spain has finally decided to come in Spanish. Personally I should have preferred an American in view of the problems confronting us in the immediate future, where the foreign point of view is not wholly the clearest to start from.

The summer school has been intolerably hot. You escaped well !

Cordially yours,

Arthur Livingston

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September 9th, 1916

Mr. Luigi Passarelli,

1378 Lyman Place,

New York.

Dear Sir:

I have received your letter of application for a position in Toronto to do substitute work in the Department of Italian and Spanish during the coming winter. I shall be glad to bring the matter forward at the meeting of the Board of Governors next Thursday, when I hope the appointment will be made. I am afraid, however, that we cannot offer more than nine hundred dollars ($900.00) as that is the amount that Mr. Catalano has been receiving. He is now a Lieutenant in the Italian Army and on half pay with us.

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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September 15th, 1916

Mr. Luigi Passarelli,

1378 Lyman Place,

New York.

Dear Sir:

I am glad to inform you that at a meeting of the Board held yesterday afternoon you were appointed Instructor in the Department of Italian and Spanish for the forthcoming session at a salary of nine hundred dollars ($900.) . As I informed you before this is the salary which Mr. Catalano, who is now Lieutenant in the Italian Army, has been receiving, and he is now absent at the front at half pay.

I hope that you will be able to be here for undertaking the work at the opening of the session which is on the 25th of September.

Yours sincerely,

President.